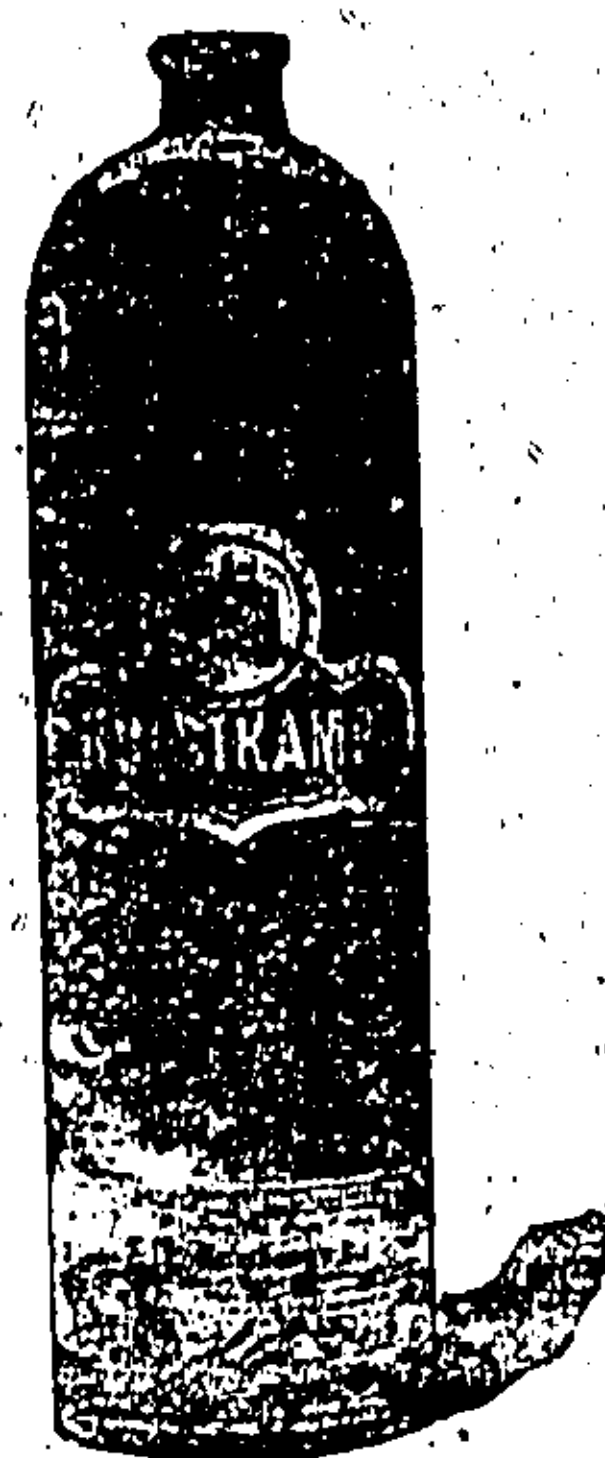


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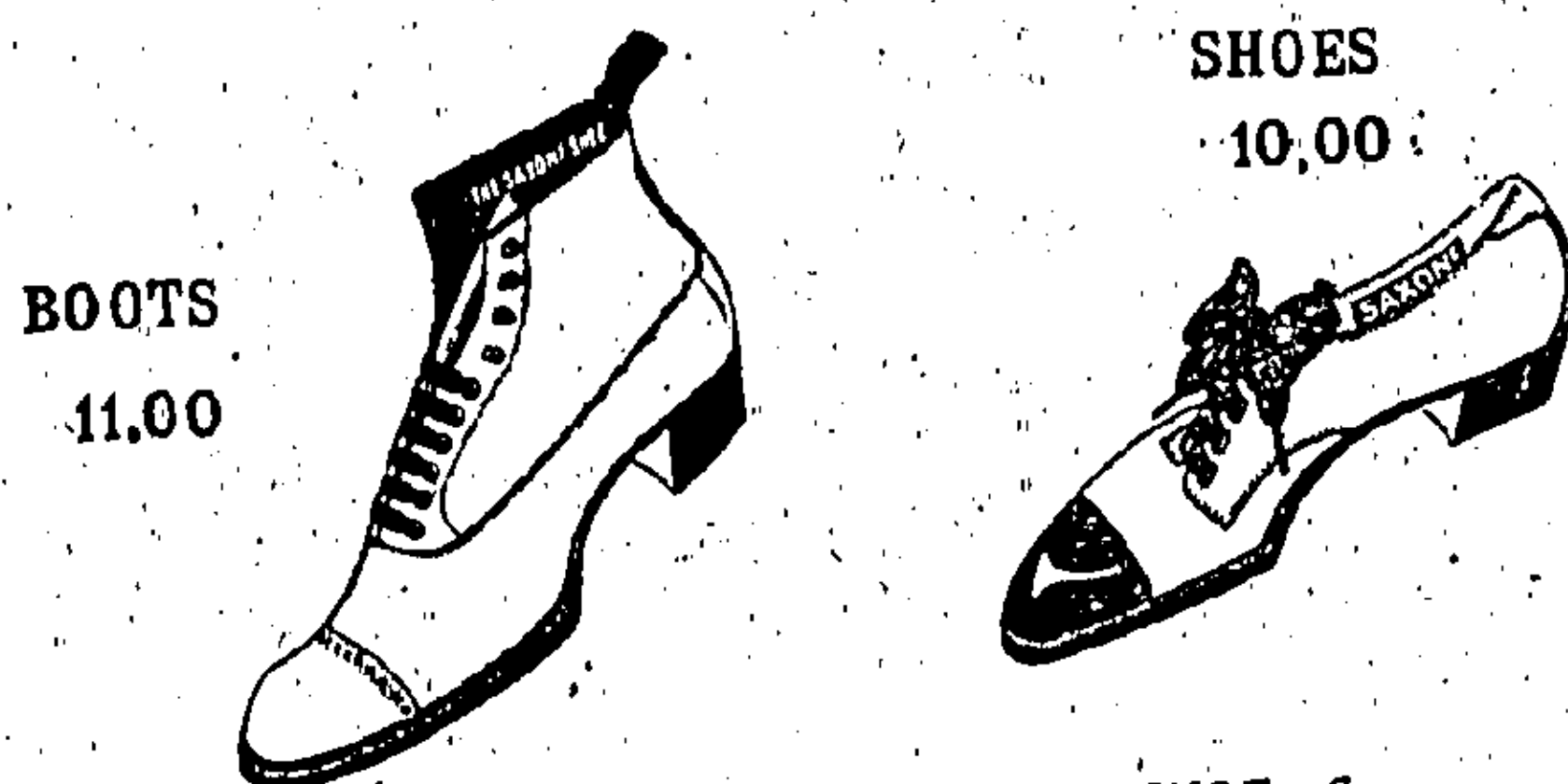
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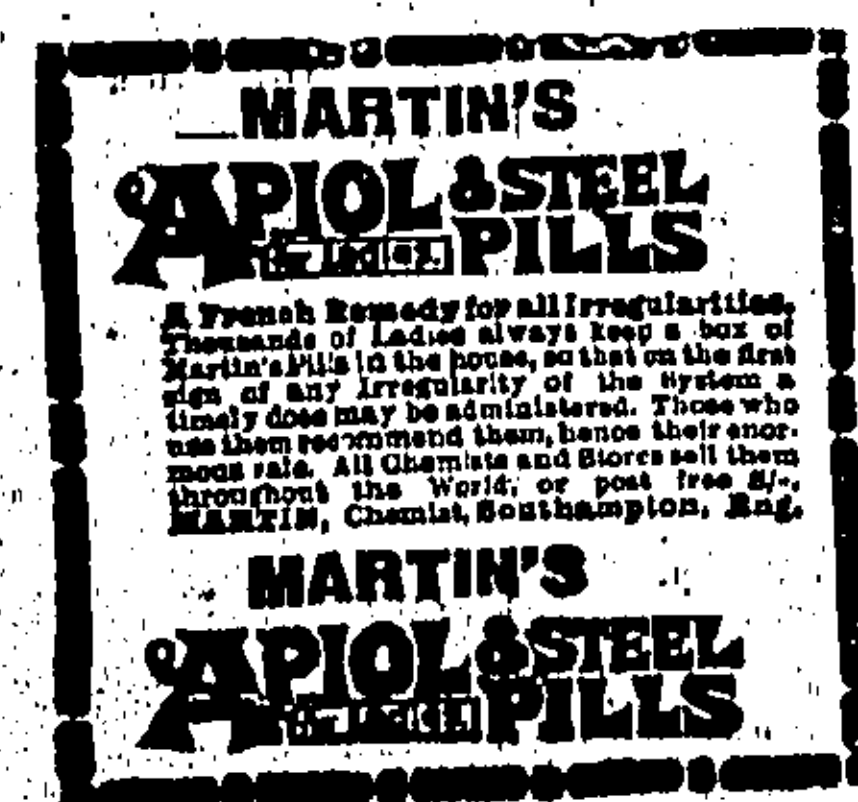
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**OUR
CONTEMPORARIES.**

Daily Press.

The Boycott.

We repeat what we have said
before that it is the duty of every
law-abiding Chinese citizen to
give the police every assistance
in this matter in order that they
may lay hold of the persons who
defy the law against intimidation.
Are they doing this? If not, why
not? If they had been doing this
we suppose many more of these
cases would have come into the
police courts. There have been,
in fact, but few such cases, and
we are unable to understand how
it is that not only the leading
merchants but the Chinese section
of the Police Force, both detective
and uniformed, and also the district
watchmen, have failed to render
any noteworthy service in this
connection. When men who say
they would, but dare not, travel
on the cars fail to bring to the
notice of the police the persons
who are alleged to inspire these
fears, they must themselves be
held to be in some degree
responsible for the continuance
of the boycott, and the Govern-
ment has no option but to meet
the situation by some such
measure as the Boycott Preven-
tion Bill, which was passed
through all its stages at yester-
day's meeting of the Legislative
Council.

South China Morning Post.

The New Ordinance.

There are some who contend,
rightly or wrongly, that serious
trouble has to be faced sooner or
later with certain elements which
are at work in this colony, and
the sooner matters are brought to
a head the better. If therefore
drastic means have to be employ-
ed to counter-act these elements
and prevent the undue hampering
of lawful business, then the
Government is to be congratulat-
ed upon the new measure and it
has not passed into law too
soon. It is an indication
of the Government's determi-
nation to cope with an evil
which seriously affects the peace
and prosperity of the community.
The hope is devoutly expressed
that the wheeling of those who
through fear of giving offence
to the boycott leaders have abstained
from supporting the Government
in its righteous, if indirect, at-
tempt to establish British coin in
the Colony will not deter the
Government from applying the
new law with the utmost rigour
and in the proper direction when
the time is opportune.

China Mail.

The Criminal Sessions.

Ruffians in the surrounding
country are beginning to realise
that to engage in their nefarious
calling in Hongkong, with the
chances of losing their liberty for
a long period is hardly worth the
risk; and the corporeal punish-
ment which is almost invariably
meted out with the sentence also
seems to be having a salutary
effect. It has been clearly proved
that this class of criminal, who
almost invariably comes from the
mainland, does not respond to
lenient treatment, regarding such
as a sign of weakness on the part
of the authorities. It is therefore
to be hoped that both in the case
of summary and indictable of-
fences of this nature there will be
no relaxation of the severity of the
sentences imposed.

Japanese Shipping Trade Brisk.

The South American and the San
Francisco lines of the Toyo Kisen
Kaisha are enjoying a prosperous
business, the ships carrying full
cargoes on outgoing and return
voyages. On the outgoing voy-
age the liners take chiefly mis-
cellaneous goods from Japanese
ports and rice and other goods
from Shanghai and Hongkong.
On their return voyage, they carry
full cargo, mainly consisting of
Chilean nitrate, the shipment of
which is so abundant that they
have to decline taking other car-
go. The San Francisco liners
were also carrying, on their
homeward voyage, large cargoes
of cotton, the present being the
high season for the importation
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TELEGRAMS.

THE BALKAN WAR. THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, December 19.
Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople states that the Council of Ministers have again instructed the Ottoman delegates regarding their attitude to the Greeks in the Peace Conference.

RUSSIA'S ATTITUDE.

M. Kokovtsov, President of the Council, speaking in the Duma, said that Russia, as a great Slavonic Power, cannot be indifferent as to whether the Balkanites obtain conditions of existence consonant with their achievements by bloodshed, and thereby be saved from dangerous complications in the future, nor can the Government understate Russia's historic interests. They had no reason to change their calm attitude and were confident of the support of their friends. They hoped the Powers would arrive at a settlement, reconciling their interests with the just demands of the Balkan States. The Government most sincerely welcomed the British initiative in the discussion.

SIX HOURS' BATTLE.

The official Turkish version of the fighting near Janina states that the Greeks were defeated after a battle lasting six hours with 400 killed and 125 wounded. They abandoned three quick firing guns.

A CRUCIAL MOMENT.

To-day's Peace Conference is awaited with considerable apprehension. Feeling among the Balkanites is running very high in view of the belief that the Turks are deliberately delaying. They will not listen to any Turkish proposal suggestive of the retention of Adrianople, such as revivification. Thus to-day's sitting will possibly be crucial.

MOMENTARY SENSATION.

London, December 19.
A momentary sensation was caused by the Turkish Delegates hurrying alone from the Conference after an hour but it was quickly announced that the Conference had adjourned until Saturday because the Turkish instructions which had not then been received were coming by special courier.

WELSH DISESTABLISHMENT.

CONCESSION GRANTED.

London, December 19.
The concession offered by the Government on the Welsh Disestablishment Bill, giving the Church £15,000 more than was originally proposed, was adopted without a division. The Welshmen dissociated themselves from the concession but considered it to be their duty to accept the Bill in view of the necessity of obtaining religious equality.

MR. WHITELAW REID.

BRITAIN'S OFFER ACCEPTED

London, December 19.
The United States has accepted the offer of Great Britain to convey the body of the late Mr. Whitelaw Reid to his native land. Later.
The cruiser Natal will convey the body of the late Mr. Whitelaw Reid to the United States, and it sails from Portsmouth on Saturday. Troops will escort the remains to Portsmouth.

TELEGRAMS.

ADMIRAL BRIDGEMAN. PRIVATE CORRESPONDENCE

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, December 19.
At question time in the House of Commons, Mr. Churchill said he saw no reason to shrink from placing on the table the correspondence between Vice-Admiral Sir F. Bridgeman and himself, but he did not propose to do so, as it was private correspondence.

MINE EXPLOSION.

MANY KILLED.

London, December 19.
Reuter's correspondent at Berlin states that an explosion has occurred in a coal mine at Mengede, over 30 being killed. Later.
Forty-three dead and 13 injured have been brought up.

CHRISTMAS DAY.

HOLIDAY FOR PRESSMEN.

London, December 19.
All the London newspapers, with the exception of the "Times" and the "Daily Telegraph" have agreed not to publish on Christmas Day.

EWO COTTON CO.

Seventeenth Ordinary Meeting.

The seventeenth ordinary meeting of shareholders of the Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd., was held recently at the offices of the general managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Shanghai. Mr. D. Landale who presided said:—"When we last met the outlook was particularly gloomy and continued so until after China New Year; it is, therefore, the more gratifying that the General Managers and Consulting Committee should be able to place before you such a satisfactory showing."

Owing to the Revolution and the subsequent dislocation of business, short time was resorted to at the mills from the middle of November to the middle of February, since when we have been working at full pressure and obtaining record productions, a testimony that all the machinery is in thorough running order. I may here say that the Revolution cost us very dear, as apart from the practical stoppage of business for some weeks, it became imperative for us to materially assist most of our buyers with their contracts of yarn and cloth.

The result of the twelve months' working was a profit of Tls. 339,728.72, which, with the balance brought forward from last year, leaves a credit of Profit and Loss Account of Tls. 348,800.13, the proposed appropriation of which, as stated in the report before you, the Consulting Committee venture to hope will have your approval. The Preference shares this year absorb Tls. 27,061.21—in future, the amount will be Tls. 28,000, as all the 4,000 Preference Shares, authorized to be issued in December, 1909, have now been taken up. I trust the addition of Tls. 30,000 to Special Repairs and Renewals Account will commend itself to you, as there will then be Tls. 42,908.82 available for improvements and alterations, which, in a concern like ours, are continually required. I may say that since 1899 Tls. 199,738.96 have been spent on Ordinary Repairs and Renewals out of Working Account, and since 1907 Tls. 118,033.08 on Special Repairs and Renewals out of the amounts set aside for that purpose.

The appropriation of Tls. 110,000 to Equalization of Dividend Account—bringing that account, to Tls. 400,000—will

TELEGRAMS.

LOYAL CANADA. A STIRRING SPEECH.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, December 19.
Reuter's correspondent at Ottawa telegraphs that in the Canadian House of Commons Mr. Foster, the Minister for Naval Affairs, resumed the debate on the naval programme. He pointed out that Canada's contribution did not mean the abandonment of her permanent policy. Nothing would so hearten the outlying parts of the Empire as the news that Canada throughout her whole length was ranging herself with the other Dominions in the defence of the Motherland. He condemned the idea that Canada was holding aloof from the vortex of militarism in Europe, pointing out that the menace was there and the crisis would be there and the decision would be made. If the present measure was blocked, it would mean a delay of two years, and meantime the fate of the Empire might be decided.

doubtless have your support, when I tell you that we must look for serious competition during the next few years and that it is necessary to build up our reserves, while we continue to enjoy seasons of prosperity.

The General Managers desire that a bonus of Tls. 3,000 should be voted to the foreign staff at the mills—Gentlemen, we have been well served during the past twelve months, and I am of opinion that we should show our appreciation of the services rendered by our employees, and, if possible, endeavour to reward a man each year for a similar purpose. If you agree to the payment of the bonus, the General Managers propose to pay as near as possible, 10 per cent to each of the staff on his salary for the past twelve months.

I do not know that the accounts call for any special remark, but I should like to mention that the addition to Plant and Machinery Account of Tls. 19,887.92 represents new weaving machinery. To-day, our plant consists of 72,264 spindles and 500 looms, which I need hardly add cannot be replaced at anything near their present book value. On a conservative basis, it is estimated that, to replace our present plant, even at current high rate of Sterling Exchange, the outlay would be Tls. 2,130,000 whereas the book value stands at Tls. 1,551,011.53, and, besides this we will have at credit of Equalization of Dividend Account Tls. 400,000. These figures will give you some idea of the favourable position we occupy as compared with any new ventures that may be proposed.

STAMPING RECEIPTS.

Nine Chinese charged with defrauding the Revenue by not stamping receipts for money received over \$10, and in some cases only affixing five cent stamps, were given advice on what was required by law from them, by Mr. O. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this morning. "Ordinary postage stamps are no use as receipt stamps, and stamps must be obliterated when used so that they cannot be used again," said his Worship. Fines varying from \$1 upwards were imposed, and the excuses were as numerous as the fines.

The Talent Cards.

This little talented combination of versatile artists will make their bow to Hongkong at the Theatre Royal for a short season of four nights commencing Tuesday December 31st. From particulars to hand the Company have earned a good reputation wherever they have visited so far, the entertainment being both bright and refined. The Plans open at Montreuil and Co's to-morrow.

TELEGRAMS.

UNREST IN PORTUGAL. RUMOURED COUP D'ETAT.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, December 19.

Reuter's correspondent at Lisbon telegraphs that when the Premier postponed his visit to Oporto, it is rumoured that this is in connection with a projected coup d'etat at Lisbon by extreme Republicans.

The troops have been confined to barracks for five days. An explosion took place in a powder magazine in the suburb of Chellas, in which one man was killed.

A bomb was exploded at Rocio, and a station official was fatally injured.

THE CRISP LOAN.

Story of its Collapse.

The reported collapse of the Birch Crisp Chinese loan and China's refusal to deal further with that group after failure to meet China's demand for the second half of the loan of \$50,000,000 have been confirmed by bankers associated in the six Power group, says a recent issue of the "New York Sun." This confirmation was given while at the same time A. Wendell Jackson, who negotiated the loan, was asserting in an interview that the entire loan would go through and that the bankers in the Crisp group had resources as large as the six Power associates and could finance China to the whole extent of her requirements. Bankers also confirmed the report that the Crisp group had approached the six Power associates for admission. As to whether Crisp and his associates would be admitted to the loan participation it was said by American group bankers that the English group would have the decision.

"If they are still human over on the other side," said a banker, speaking of the possible action of the British group of the six Power bankers, "they will probably act as most other human beings would."

Opinion in Wall Street was that Birch Crisp will not be admitted.

The Chinese Government, it was said, is considerably nettled because its needs were not met by the independent group when they made requisition for the \$25,000,000 due as the second half of the loan. It was said that the Chinese asked the Crisp syndicate flatly whether or not they would hand over this amount of the loan, and that when the English bankers refused, the Chinese abandoned them.

Campaign of Education.

Bankers of the six Power group do not blame the Chinese for the entangled condition of the loan negotiations. They are strongly of the opinion that the Chinese Administration might have fallen if the six Power loan had gone through. The country was not then in the mood for receiving it. A campaign of education was necessary before the big loan could become a success. It was necessary for the Government to demonstrate to the people of China that the nation could not fulfil its unusual needs other than through the help of a group possessing great resources. The six Power bankers have all along held that China could not hope to set its house in order without the strictest supervision of the expenditure of its enormous loan by outside financial experts. They have regarded China in the light of a great corporation of extensive financial obligations that has failed. In its upbuilding the bankers who back it take upon themselves the responsibility, and so must have the direction of expenditure.

TELEGRAMS.

HOME POLITICS. AN AMBITIOUS PROGRAMME.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, December 19.

In the House of Commons Mr. Asquith announced that when the House re-assembled on the 30th December they would proceed with the Home Rule Bill. He hoped that the Home Rule Bill, the Welsh Disestablishment Bill and the Franchise Bill would be completed early in February, and that they would also be able to complete the Trades Unions, Railways, and Pilots Bills, but they could not undertake that the Trade Unions Bill would be brought within the Parliament Act.

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TELEGRAMS.

FRENCH PRESIDENCY. M. BOURGEOIS DECLINES.

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THE BOYCOTT ORDINANCE.

One noticeable and significant feature of the passage of the Boycott Ordinance, at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council, was the absence of even one reference to the Tramways trouble. His Excellency travelled as far as Ireland for an illustration, but neither he nor any other member had a word to say of the original cause of dispute. This was well, perhaps; for the Bill has been designed not alone to meet the needs of the present case—though primarily for that purpose—but also with the larger object of preventing a recurrence of similar happenings. To end existing trouble is important; effectually to prevent future trouble is even more important. So the immediate purpose of the Bill is of less real concern to the well-being of the Colony than its ultimate object. The Bill should end the present boycott, but more to purpose is it that it should go far towards preventing a recurrence of such a boycott; though that is a truth which may not be appreciated quite so readily now as it will be a few years hence.

The absence of any lengthy discussion, and the rapidity and smoothness with which the Bill passed into law, were notable. That the Council members were unanimous in their attitude towards it was made unmistakably clear. Sir Kai Ho Kai put a question or two which gave H.E. the Governor the opportunity of stating quite plainly that all reasonable care would be taken to ensure that the Bill would not operate unjustly on innocent persons. The terms of the measure in themselves furnished a sufficient guarantee on the point, but the questions and replies will do no harm. All necessary inquiry will be made before the Ordinance is put into force at any time. Will the boycotters recognise the fairness of this and show themselves amenable to reason? They have seven days in which to make up their mind, and it is earnestly to be hoped that during that period the more influential Chinese may succeed in persuading the masses to take a more reasonable view of the matter.

To this, at any rate, the boycotters may as well make up their minds once and for all—that the Bill, when it does begin to operate, will be swiftly and severely corrective. The framers of the measure had to face a difficult task, but they did not shrink from such strong measures as were necessary. It is for the boycotters now to decide whether its weight shall fall on them or not. They have nothing to lose, and a deal to lose by a continuance of the present state of affairs, which, so far has availed them nothing beyond inconvenience to themselves. If they are determined, so is the Government. It is possible that a state of matters can be continued, but it would lead to business in the Colony being ruined by the boycott leaders; and it is for the boycotters now to decide whether such a state of affairs is desirable or not.

A Centre of Outrages.

We note that the Chief Justice, in sentencing a man to seven years' hard labour, for robbery with violence, observed that the culprit "would have done better, like a number of other people of similar character, to have stayed in Canton instead of coming to Hongkong to make it the centre of robberies." It is extremely gratifying that a Government official should thus draw public attention to the fact that so many of the troublesome characters in the Colony are not Hongkong Chinese at all but wasters from Canton. To our way of thinking, the steps taken to keep such gentry out of Hongkong are decidedly insufficient, and until Cantonese immigration is more strictly regulated, burglary epidemics, snatches and boycotts will always be hanging over our heads. Surely the Government has enough criminals of its own to deal with, without having to watch and keep in order several hundreds or thousands of others who are not British subjects, and who have come here by French leave.

American English.

If the people of the United States continue their pious work of murdering our language for another score or so of years, it is probable that the Britisher of the future will have to learn "American" just as to-day he learns French or Chinese. Every day the spoken language of the States drifts farther and farther from English, and the same may be said of the written language. Contractions, mis-spellings, abbreviations and wholesale vulgarisms are already making the perusal of the average American newspaper a positive torture. We have seen a good many of these absurdities in our time, but one that "fairly takes the cake," as the New Yorker would say, came under our notice yesterday in an American reprint of a poem of Chatterton's. The author had written: "Though our towns, through a long November, abide to the end—etc. etc."

In the reprint, an editor has allowed "November" to be set up as "Nov." This introduction of commercial abbreviations into poetry written by an Englishman is enough to drive a man to drink.

The Siberian Mail.

Yesterday the captain of the s.s. Yu Shun was fined \$5 for delaying the delivery of the Siberian Mail. Mr. Melbourne took a lenient view of the case and imposed only a nominal fine, for it was quite clear that the ship's officers were not greatly to blame. Captain Pratt tells us that he complied with the rule which says that ship-masters carrying the Siberian Mail shall hoist the Y. flag at the fore when passing Waglan, but that the signal was not responded to. On arriving in Port he was informed that the signalling apparatus at Waglan was out of repair. Surely a matter like this should be notified to captains at as early a date as possible. At Cape Collinson the skipper flashed "Siberian mailboard" and was answered merely with "What Ship?"

Regulations.

The instructions given to captains do not call for any answer to a question, and none was given. The regulations state that, if the above signals are made, the Post Office launch "will as a rule call alongside for mails." But suppose she does not? Is a captain to charter a launch at his own expense, or is he to send the mails ashore in his own boat? In this case no Post Office launch came, and to send the mails ashore would have necessitated the manning of at least three boats, just at a time when every hand on board was engaged. We do not for a moment cavil at the magisterial decision; under the circumstances Mr. Melbourne had no alternative but to convict; but it seems rather hard that coasters should bear the sine of the Postal Department.

Arrived from London.

Mr. and Mrs. Chalkley, and Mr. and Mrs. Lowndes have arrived from London, and intend to remain in the Colony for some time.

Visitor.

Mr. E. Z. Bourne, of Peking, has arrived in the Colony and is to remain for a few days. It is understood that he is here on business.

DAY BY DAY.

Happiness belongs to those who are contented.

A Meeting of Chinese.

A meeting was held this afternoon by the Chinese Commercial Union to discuss the situation in connection with the boycott and the new ordinance.

Rev. F. T. Johnson.

We learn that the Rev. F. T. Johnson has accepted the living of Little Casterton, Stamford Lincolnshire, which he takes up on January 1 next.

Passing Through.

Miss "Bobbie" Palma, of New York, the well known comedienne, arrived in the Colony to-day. Miss Palma is en route to Paris to fulfil an engagement there.

The Police Ball.

The Police Ball, which is to be held on December 27th, at the City Hall, is being looked forward to by the people of the Colony and is sure to be a great success.

Children's Sports.

It will be heard with regret that His Excellency the Governor and Lady May are prevented, by a prior engagement, from being present at the Children's Sports to be held at Kowloon on New Year's Day.

Arrivals and Departures.

Mr and Mrs L. N. Leefe and Mr T. W. Hornby were among the passengers arriving from the North by the Himalaya to-day, while Lieut. Commander R. W. Lloyd and Mrs A. P. Stokes left by the Delta for Shanghai.

Special Launches.

In connection with the Special Service for men, to be held at the Cathedral, this evening, special launches will leave the A.S.C. Pier, for Stonecutters and Lyemua, at 11 p.m.; the former will call at Kowloon Police Pier.

Bishop Taylor Smith.

Bishop Taylor Smith, C.V.O., arrived from the North to-day by the s.s. Himalaya. He speaks at an "At Home" at Government House this afternoon, and to-night addresses a service for men at St. John's Cathedral.

Ferris-Hartman Company.

Mr. Tait, the advance agent of the Ferris-Hartman Company, which is to play for three nights in the Colony beginning with December 27th, has arrived. Mr. Tait predicts a repetition of the Company's success on their former visit.

False Pretences.

Two months imprisonment was the sentence passed by Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court, yesterday, on a Chinese who obtained money by false pretences at West Point. Mr. Lewis of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, prosecuted.

Interesting Visitor.

Mr. A. Campbell, who is the representative of the Distillers' Company, Limited, of Edinburgh, arrived today by the S.S. Tacoma "Maru," and states that he will stay for a month. Mr. Campbell has come to the colony to try and extend the company's business here.

New Constables.

W. Shannon, M. H. Hourihan, L. P. Lane, J. Brennan, W. J. Harron and C. Fallon, all late of that fine body of men the Royal Irish Constabulary, were sworn in as members of the Hongkong Police Force, by Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this morning. The recruits arrived in the Colony yesterday.

Annual Training.

The 25th Punjab will proceed to San Wai camp from Rennie's Mills for annual training on January 1st. The regiment will be conveyed by launches and lighters from Rennie's Mills to Kowloon, and will leave the latter place for camp by special train at 12.10 p.m. The advance party leaves on 31st December.

Theatrical Manager Arrives.

Mr. Eddie Bush, who was formerly the manager of the Real Cinematograph in Manila, arrived by the s.s. Kimano Maru, and leaves by the s.s. Youngs to-morrow. We believe that Mr. Bush has come to Hongkong merely to consider the possibilities of a theatre in the colony, and as Mr. Bush has been the manager of the Oriental Moving Picture Corporation, it is understood that he will, if his tentative ventures prove successful, import to the colony the best talent that he can obtain.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

The Annual Distribution of Prizes.

The annual distribution of prizes in connection with St. Joseph's College took place to-day at noon in the College Hall. His Excellency Sir Henry May presided and there were also present on the platform. Bishop Pozzoni, Brother Christian, Principal, Mr. E. A. Irving, Director of Education and the Hon. Capt. Fitzroy Somerset A.D.C., while in the body of the hall, Prof. Smith of the Hongkong University was also present.

The proceedings opened with an overture played by Prof. A. Baptista after which the Choir sang a chorus, "The Bank," in excellent style. During the proceedings Master Edser sang "Chiming Bells" with a chorus by the Choir.

Annual Report.

The Principal in his annual report said:—"In reviewing the work of the year, I am pleased to be able to report general progress. Our numbers ran up to 604, and this necessitated the opening of two temporary classes in the basement of the College. For sanitary reasons the Director of Education condemned these classrooms, and advised the closing of them. They were accordingly closed in July. This caused a fall in our numbers from 604 to 580—the highest number we can at present accommodate in our 14 classrooms. Hence the reason for being obliged to refuse admission to so many boys. In our boarding department alone we refused admission to thirty, owing to lack of accommodation. Our average attendance was 511 as against 440 the previous year. I must again remind parents and guardians of the obligation that rests with them to see that their children and wards attend school regularly. Without this regular attendance, progress in study is impossible, to say nothing of the pernicious habits a young boy thereby acquires—habits which are almost certain to exert a baneful influence on his after life.

The staff has been strengthened during the year by the addition of one European master and one local teacher. This increase enables us to comply strictly with the requirements of the Education Code, and gives an average of 36 pupils to one teacher.

Oxford Classes.

"Our Oxford classes still maintain a high degree of efficiency. At the examination held in July, we secured 42 passes. Twelve obtained Senior certificates and the title of Associate in Arts, as against six in 1911. Lim Chong Eng obtained Honours, and Tang Che Ko distinction in Classical Chinese. This success in the Senior forms a record, as in previous years we never exceeded nine passes. Ten candidates passed in the Junior and 18 in the Preliminary. I am pleased to record the high standard of proficiency attained by our Oxford boys in English. All the Seniors, with the exception of two, secured a pass in this section, while many of them obtained the distinction "very good." The Junior and Preliminary boys also secured high in English. A very gratifying feature of the result was the success attained by Cheung Kai at the Higher Local examination. This candidate secured a pass in the required sections (including English) after only four months' preparation, a highly creditable achievement.

The Library.

"The library in connection with the Oxford classes is a fruitful source of pleasure and profit to our boys. I have no hesitation in saying that a very important part of a boy's education is attained when he has cultivated a taste for reading healthy and instructive works.

"Our Shorthand and Typewriting classes have done and are still doing good work. Ten of our students obtained Shorthand Speed certificates during the year, while five were awarded the much-coveted Full Certificate of Proficiency. Twenty boys follow a regular course in Typewriting, many of whom have attained a high standard of proficiency.

"On the football field no less than in the classroom, our boys have distinguished themselves during the year. For the

third time they won the Hongkong Schools football Shield. In October our team entered the Hongkong Junior League competition for the first time, and judging from the victories won up to the present, I may say the prospects of ultimate success are very fair indeed. At the Hongkong Schools Athletic Sports in April, after a well-contested one-mile race, our team won the much-prized Chater Cup, while we have much pleasure in exhibiting here for the second time the Ellis Kadoorie and Civil Service Cups. Two of our pupils also succeeded in carrying off the Senior and Junior championship gold medals.

"Thoroughly Efficient."

"At the end of the scholastic year in July, I personally conducted the Annual Promotion examination. 460 boys were examined, 85 per cent. of whom were promoted to higher classes. On the whole, the work was somewhat better than last year, although there is still considerable room for improvement in some subjects, principally Grammar and Dictation.

"In June the Director of Education visited the College for his Annual inspection, and after reporting favourably on the general work, once again declared the school to be 'thoroughly efficient.'"

H. E.'s Address.

His Excellency said:—"I think that the report which we have heard read is a very satisfactory one. The successes that have been won in the Oxford examinations are certainly a great source of credit to the college and of satisfaction to the community and to the government. I am rejoiced to learn the typewriting is receiving attention and shorthand as well. I may tell you that in order to save the Government's time, as lawyers, in their offices, and business men do, we propose to cultivate the stenographer and typewriter more than we have done hitherto. Therefore there is good employment open to boys who can work as stenographers and then take away their work and reproduce it in typewriting. I congratulate you also on the success of the school in the domain of sport in the football field and elsewhere.

Value of Exercise.

"There is nothing like good healthy exercise to promote a good healthy tone and discipline in the school. If a boy is not obedient to the captain of the football team he will not be obedient to anybody. It is to be regretted, of course, that some boys have been turned away from the school owing to lack of accommodation. The education authorities have approached the government for a very heavy building grant. I am sorry to that I have not been able to grant much that they have asked for. The Government has done a great deal of recent years to build up a system of secondary and higher education and it is time that we took in hand the proper organisation of primary education, and I think also that the whole educational system requires more supervision. The Government does not know at the present time what is taught in many of the schools. That is not as it should be. The education of the young people in the colony, no matter what the nationality, should be supervised and kept in healthy channels. This will involve expenditure and therefore we cannot, although we would like to, meet the demands that are made upon us by old established institutions such as this. I wish this institution every success in the coming year. It is one of the best educational institutions in the colony and the work that it has done in the past is I think thoroughly appreciated by the government. (Applause.)"

Bishop Pozzoni's Address.

Bishop Pozzoni remarked that he was very glad to be able to assist at that ceremony and to congratulate the prizewinners. On behalf of the brothers, the clergy and the boys he begged to thank His Excellency for the honour which he had conferred upon them by his presence there to-day and he was sure that his words of encouragement would bear abundant fruit. He also congratulated the Brother Director on the success that had been achieved during the past year.

They had heard from the reports the very flattering results obtained at the Oxford examinations and the success of the boys on the football field which was evidenced by the trophies displayed there to-

day. For the sixth year the college had been reported by the Director of Education to be thorough efficient and this and the results of the examinations pointed to the fact that there had been hard and persevering work and he hoped that the successes already obtained would encourage the brothers and the boys to work even more than they had in the past year. In conclusion he begged again to thank His Excellency for his presence and to wish them all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

PRIZE LIST.

This following is the Prize List. Chinese Class 6 B:—Tam Wing Kwong: Chinese, English, Hygiene, Arithmetic, Geography, and General Proficiency; See Kiong Lam: English Hygiene, and Geography; Go Ko: Arithmetic, Drawing; Chok Lam: Chinese; In Wai: Drawing; Kam Ku: Penmanship; Chak Wam: Penmanship; Tam Hung: Catechism; Chok Lam: Catechism.

Class 6 A:—L. Warren: General Proficiency, English, Hygiene, and Religious Knowledge; R. Tatum: English, and Hygiene; Paulo Xavier: Arithmetic; E. Souza: Arithmetic; O. Baptista: Geography; Abbasbany: Geography; A. Souza: Object Lesson; A. Remedios: Penmanship; A. Vas: Penmanship; Vasco Xavier: Drawing; J. Basto: Drawing; Z. Smith: Religious Knowledge; T. Soares: Elocution; A. Cruz: Elocution.

Class 5 B:—J. Pomeoy: General Proficiency, English, English History, Hygiene, and Religious Knowledge; A. Remedios: English, Hygiene, Drawing and Religious Knowledge; Ng. Shi Cheung: Mathematics; Bing Chwang: Mathematics, Geography, Penmanship, and Drawing; J. Imao: English History; U. Pak Fook: Penmanship; F. Marques: Geography.

Class 5 A:—O. Roza: General Proficiency, Geography; Penmanship, Drawing, English, English History, Hygiene, and Religious Knowledge; A. Hart: Religious Knowledge and English History; L. Alarack: Mathematics; L. Gutierrez: Geography; R. Marinho: Penmanship; M. Starberg: Hygiene; L. Seto: Drawing; R. Alarack: Mathematics; A. Braga: English.

Class 4 B:—Wong Sam: General Proficiency, Geography, English History, Hygiene, English, Mathematics, Religious Knowledge; Cheung Lam: Mathematics and Drawing; Chak Man: Geography, Hygiene and Penmanship; W. Mahal: English, English History, and Penmanship; Chan Yat Fook: Drawing, and Religious Knowledge; Fung Ming: Chinese.

Class 4 A:—L. Remedios: General Proficiency, Hygiene, Geography, and Religious Knowledge; F. Ozorio: Religious Knowledge, Mathematics, and English; L. Osmund: Mathematics; R. Pass: English, and English History; J. Remedios: English History; L. Noronha: Geography; A. D'Assis: Penmanship, and Freehand Drawing; F. Concoluela: Penmanship and Freehand Drawing; M. Marti: Hygiene; Preliminary Class:—J. Savage: Arithmetic, Gospel, English, Geography, Mathematics, Higher Mathematics, and Domestic Economy; J. Costa: History, English, Geography, and Mathematics; L. Costa: Freehand Drawing, and Gospel; L. Franco: Arithmetic and Freehand Drawing; E. Ozorio: English; A. Tavares: History; H. Ramjanah: Higher Mathematics, Mathematics; Mak Ting Ming: Chinese.

Junior Class:—Lam Shiu Kwong: General Proficiency, Book-keeping, Chinese; F. Collico: Arithmetic, Scripture, English; J. Braga: Arithmetic, Political Economy, Physical Geography, Book-keeping; A. Osmund: Scripture, History; F. Reis: History, and Physical Geography; F. Banja: English, and Political Economy; Chan Wing Hun: Chinese, and Mathematics; F. Kennedy: Mathematics.

Senior Class:—A. Sequeira: General Proficiency, Scripture, History, English, Political Economy, Physical Geography, Shorthand, Hygiene, and Physiology; O. Musso: English, Arithmetic, Scripture, English Literature, and Shorthand; Po Nam: Arithmetic, Mathematics; Gyes Leong: History, Political Economy; Chau Cheung: Chinese, Mathematics, Physical Geo-

phy, Book-keeping; O. Baptista: Hygiene, and Physiology; Tang Che Ko: Classical Chinese.

Higher Local:—Cheung Kai: Mathematics, English, Geography Modern History.

Special Prizes.
His Lordship the Bishop's Prize for Religious Knowledge, O. Musso.

His Lordship the Bishop's Prize for excellent Weekly Report, (Mr. J. M. da Rocha's scholarship). Class 6b Leong Pun, Class 6a W. Dorabjee, Class 5b Chow Hong To, Class 5a L. Rozario, Class 4b Ng Shui Cheung, Class 4a C. Roza, Class 3 W. Mehal, Class 2 and 1 Chau Che Cheung.

Mr. Bellios Senior scholarship of \$50 for English, O. Musso.

Mr. Bellios Junior scholarship of \$25 for English, F. Dunje.

The Catholic Union scholarship of \$25 for Religious Knowledge, A. Sequeira.

The Lugard scholarship of \$30 (first year), J. Savage.

The Lugard scholarship of \$30 (second year), F. Reis.

The late Sir Hormusjee Mody's Gold Medal for English Literature presented by his son, Mr. N. H. Mody—O. Musso.

Gold medal presented by Consul-General J. J. Leiria, Cheung Kai.

Gold Medal presented by Mr. J. M. Basto for Stenography, A. Sequeira.

Gold watch presented by Mr. G. Sequeira for General Proficiency in Oxford Senior, A. Sequeira.

Prize presented by Mr. C. Bunje for General Proficiency in Oxford Junior, Lam Shiu Kwong.

Prize presented by Mr. Fred. Brags for English Composition in Oxford Junior, Lam Shiu Kwong.

Gold Fountain pen presented by the College for Mathematics in Oxford Senior, Yeong Po Nam.

Oxford Certificates.

Preliminary:—E. Mundo, Ozorio, John Xavier, Alfredo Bompato Castro, Estanislau Maria Cordeiro, Lourenco Souza Costa, Hamia Hamisha, Joseph John Savage, Louis Maria Franco, Joao Souza Costa, Augusto Maria Tavares, Yusuf Mohamed Omar, Mak Ting Ming, Haei Yuen Kwun, John Clifford Hart, Marciano Baptista, Henrique Jose Lopes, Vincent Attilio Raza, Lai Fook Ling.

Junior:—Chan Wing Hun, Lam Shiu Kwong, Joao Maria Braga, Frederick Bunje, Heliodoro Rozario, Faustino Reis, Alvaro Osmund, Salehbiy Tyobjee Motabbiy, Francisco Cecilio Colaco, Fred Callistus Kennedy.

Senior:—Ko Gyeo Leon, Luiz Braz Gomes, Guilherme de Carvalho, Lung Ping Kwan, Ormond Musso, Augusto Daria Sequeira, A. Tang Che Ko, Francis Young Po Nam, Lim Chong Eung, Cesar Otayiano Baptista, Chan Che Cheung, Rodolfo Bumann.

Higher Local:—Cheung Kai.

MESSRS ARNDT AND CO.
Interim Receiving Order Made.

This morning in the Summary Court before Mr. Justice Gompertz, Puisse Judge, the case was mentioned in which J. M. S. Xavier is suing Messrs Arndt and Co. and another to recover the sum of \$300 alleged to be the balance of money lent.

Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. W. E. L. Shenton of Messrs Deacon Looker and Deacon appeared for the defence.

His Lordship informed the solicitors that an interim receiving order had been made against the defendant and the case was adjourned sine die.

NOT THE MASTER.

Tong Chan Shing, appeared at the Marine Court, this morning on a charge of anchoring his boat to the West of the Prosperine Rocks, thereby breaking the Harbour regulations.

Defendant said he was not on the boat at the time and that he was not master of the boat.

The case was adjourned until to-morrow so that defendant could call the master.

French Mail Delivered.

The French Mail of November 19th was delivered in London on the 18th inst.

Christmas Carols.

Christmas Carols will be recited in Union Church on Sunday evening at six o'clock and on Christmas morning at ten o'clock.

THE BOYCOTT.

Free Car Rides for Chinese.

No special new features have arisen in connection with the tramways boycott or with the general hostile attitude of the Chinese. The rumour which was contradicted yesterday in the "Telegraph," as to the refusal of Chinese to accept goods which they had ordered from British firms, is still being repeated in some quarters and is still being contradicted in others. We believe it to be mere rumour.

The suggestion, made at the meeting at Government House the other day, that for two or three days, free rides on the cars should be given to the Chinese to that effect are being posted in the cars. As to the probable effect of this move, the Tramways Company can only conjecture. It will be interesting to note the effect. The man in the street is convinced that Chinese law-breakers have been too easily dealt with in times past and that, as a result, they feel that they can do pretty much as they like in the Colony. They will now learn they cannot—with impunity—and, further, that unless the new ordinance is followed to the letter and put into operation quickly and thoroughly, the said law-breakers will merely laugh at it. They will not laugh and the Public need have no fear as to this Ordinance not being enforced thoroughly; it will be. This law was framed for a specific object, to be enforced, and it will be, rigorously, unless the boycott is speedily ended. Some who have lived under the Straits Government maintain that even stricter, or at least more summary measures should be adopted.

Whenever the Singapore Chinese have made a disturbance—whether strike, boycott or petty revolt—it has, they argue, invariably been settled within a few hours or days, through the Government's taking an uncompromising stand. (The Hongkong Government has now taken such a stand.) "On one occasion when there was trouble in the Straits," said a local business man this morning, the High Commissioner sent for the most influential of the Chinese and warned them that, unless the matter ended at once, they themselves would be sent out of the colony by the next boat. It soon stopped! Similar occurrences have taken place here in Hongkong and may again. Another time when a boycott was started, an order was given to cut off the water-supply in the Chinese quarter, the result being that the strikers quickly came to their senses.

Police Threatened.
We have been informed that the local police stations have received letters, in connection with the tramway boycott, threatening the lives of the police if they attempt to interfere with the plans of the authors. As recently as last night, it is said, a letter was received at No. 2 Station, Wanchai, in which it was stated that the police would be annihilated if they interfered with the boycott.

VOYAGE REPORTS.

Incoming steamers report as follows:—

Kashing, from Shanghai: Moderate southerly breeze from Shanghai to Oekseu, thence to Breaker Point dense fog, thence to port fresh N.E. winds and overcast.

Egremont Cast's, from Shanghai: 16th, light easterly winds fine and clear; 17th and 18th, light S.W. winds with thick fog; 19th, strong northerly winds, fine and clear.

Szechuen, from Chinkiang: Moderate wind fine fog latter end of passage.

Andree Riekman, from Hamburg: Monsoon strong from Singapore to Cape Padaran, thence light and moderate.

Seang Bee, from Rangoon: Fresh head wind and squally.

Germany's Looking-glass Trade With China.

The German Looking-glass Syndicate, which exports considerable quantities of goods, especially to the Far East, has, together with the International Looking-glass Syndicate, been prolonged by 10 years, from 1914 to 1924.

"AN IDEAL HUSBAND."

Another Successful Performance Last Night.

The second performance of "An Ideal Husband" last night was, if anything, more successful than the first in respect that it ran with just a little more smoothness. A more successful effort by amateurs we have never seen. The cast is big, and every part, major and minor, makes not a little demand upon the player; yet there is not a part in which there is even a suspicion of weakness.

The honours last night were shared by Capt. Kinnaird-Watson, Mrs. Logan, Mrs. Worcester and Mr. Mowbray S. Northcote. The others were excellent, but these were better than excellent. Of the leaders sufficient was said in our first notice. But a word may be said now regarding the work of Mr. Northcote. It is doubtful whether more careful and finished acting is seen in the play than by "The Earl of Caversham." His affectionate contempt for his son was wonderfully expressed, not alone in words, but eloquently at times by the mere flick of a handkerchief. Mr. Northcote scored a big success. Of Mrs. Hunter as "Lady Markby," again, nothing but praise can be offered, and we should not be surprised to learn that her presentation of the character was taken, in some part, from life.

The audience, which included H.E., Sir Henry May, Lady May, and Miss May, was finely enthusiastic. But a play like "An Ideal Husband" can ill stand so many late comers as appeared last night.

TROUBLED PORTUGAL.

A telegram appearing on our front page reports an uneasy situation in Portugal; and in this connection the following from a Portuguese correspondent in Hongkong is of interest:—

"Very discouraging news reaches us from Portugal by the last English mail. The country is threatened with another Revolution. Powder magazine explosions and bomb throwing have taken place both in the capital and in the provinces. Troops are confined to their barracks and the people live in a state of constant anxiety. The President and the Cabinet have no power to quell these disturbances, as they do not wish to molest or oppose their colleagues (the carbonarios). The inhabitants in the provinces are in a state of alarm, and, generally speaking, they are averse to the Republican regime and would much prefer the old form of Government. They are claiming justice and fair treatment to the Church. A Revolution will surely take place sooner or later."

TAINTED WITH ILLEGALITY.

In the Summary Court, this morning, the Puisse Judge, Mr. Justice Gompertz, delivered judgment in the case in which Mateu Mura Kami, 28 Morrison Hill Road, brought an action against J. W. Leach, 13 Queen's Road East, and Ohagi Tokate, to recover the sum of \$520. The claim was against the second defendant as principal, and against the first, as surety for the price of goods sold and delivered.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. C.A.S. Russ, of Messrs Goldring, Barlow and Morrell, for the defendants.

His Lordship said that the whole transactions were tainted with illegality and it was difficult to separate the several items in the statement of claim. Judgment was for the defendants with costs.

THE FULL COURT.

This morning in the Summary Court Mr. F. X. D'Almada, trying to get a day fixed for the hearing of case, said:—

Can I have a day the week after next?

The Puisse Judge:—January 1 is a holiday and January 2 as well I think.

Mr. D'Almada:—No my lord; Will you give me January 3?

His Lordship:—On January 3 the new Full Court is sitting.



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LOCAL SPORT.

The Club V Staff and Departments.

In the match played on the Club ground last evening, the following represented the Hongkong Club against the Staff and Departments.

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The game was a rather tame one. There was nothing much to choose between the teams, however; and neither set of forwards showed any ability to score goals.

The shooting was wretched all through, the goalkeepers not being troubled seriously. The Club forwards were the livelier, but the opposing backs were too clever and kicked strongly and surely. At half time the game was even, neither side having scored.

In the second half the Club ran straight down and Croucher centred beautifully from the right wing, Wilson heading over. This was the nearest approach to a goal in the whole of the game, and the finest movement in the game. Later the Club commenced to press but the old weakness near goal prevented them from scoring, and the game ended in a goalless draw.

The Club will meet the R.G.A. on the Military ground, in the league, tomorrow, the kick-off being timed for four o'clock. The Club team will be:—R. C. Barlow, goal; H. I. Jones and A. Hamilton, backs; E. Campbell, R. F. Long (captain) and C. Wilkie, half-backs; J. O. Benton, W. A. Wilson, R. J. Brown, W. V. Pennell and W. B. Rigdon, forwards.

INSULT TO AUTHORITY.

For some days past a translation in Chinese of the Peace Preservation Ordinance has been posted outside the offices of the Registrar General, and has been attracting considerable gatherings of Chinese. This morning we noticed that the bottom portions of the notification had been torn off, apparently quite wilfully. The probability is that the act was done at night. Be that as it may, the insult to authority in the Colony is quite evident, and we hope that a keen eye will be kept on any such developments as the incident under note.

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Next Sailings from Hongkong:

OUTWARD.	HOMEWARD.
Yokohama, Kobe & Yokohama:	For Hamburg, Bremen & Hamburg:
S. ARMENIA 22nd Dec.	S.S. SEGOVIA 23rd Dec.
ALTMARK 3rd Jan.	For Bremen, Hamburg & Hamburg:
SILESIA 14th Jan.	S.S. ALESIA 24th Dec.
SUEVIA 27th Jan.	For Rotterdam, Bremen & Hamburg:
O. J. D. AHLERS 11th Feb.	S.S. BRASILIA 11th Jan.
SPEZIA 26th Feb.	For Hamburg & Hamburg:
SENEGAMBIA 10th March	S.S. SAMBIA 16th Jan.
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	S.S. FURST BULOW 24th Jan.
	For Bremen, Hamburg & Hamburg:
	S.S. ARMENIA 25th Jan.
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	S.S. ALTMARK 5th Feb.
	For Rotterdam, Bremen & Hamburg:
	S.S. GOLDENFELS 7th Feb.

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CO., LTD.NEW FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN
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EASTWARD.

The S.S. "UPADA," 5257 tons gross, Captain, Logan will be despatched
OKOHAMA & KOBE on the 22nd December, at daylight to taking cargo
Passengers at current rates.

WESTWARD.

The S.S. "OKARA," 5291 tons gross, Capt. E. R. Hirst, will be de-
scribed for SINGAPORE, PENANG and RANGOON on the 12th January
at noon, and will be followed by the S.S. "UPADA," 5257 tons gross,
Logan, sailing hence on or about the 20th January 1913 at noon, taking
at current rates.JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
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Japanese Shipping Subsidies.

If the shipping subsidies an-
nounced by the Japanese
Government, those the terms of
which expire this year aggregate
something like Y1,040,000. The
amount of subsidy to the Nippon
Kaisha's line to Europe
lines in February, 1913, and
to Australia in 1914. The
company's movement to obtain
large a subsidy for its Indian
line as possible, in view of the
competition with the British In-
Company, is finding no
supporters among the authori-
ties of the Department of Com-
munication. On the other
hand, in sympathy with the
Government's policy of ad-
ministrative readjustment, the
authorities of the Department
have decided to effect retrench-
ment by some Y120,000 in the
case of the subsidies granted to
the Vladivostok, as well as
Australian lines, which, put to-
gether, amount to some Y1,
00,000. Besides the above, there
are a few coast service lines, the
subsidies of which may be more
easily retrenched. The Depart-
ment is thus confident of obtain-
ing a curtailment to the amount
of about Y200,000 in all.

Coast Rates.

Japan Port to Shanghai	\$1.50 nominal.
Japan Port to Hongkong	\$2.20 nominal.
Japan Port to Canton	\$3.00 nominal.
Japan Port to Swatow	\$3.50 nominal.
Japan Port to Manila	\$3.50 nominal.
Japan Port to Singapore	\$3.75 nominal.
Hongkong to Shanghai	\$3.50.
Neuchaton to Shanghai	\$1.75.
Neuchaton to Chinkiang	\$2.25.
Tsingtau to Hongkong	\$3.00 per ton.
Tsingtau to Amoy	\$3.50 per ton.
Wuhu to Canton	25 cents, liner terms.
Chinkiang to Canton	25 cents, liner terms.
Wuhu to Swatow	23 cents, liner terms.

Newchwang to Amoy & Swatow	34 cents, liner terms.
Newchwang to Canton	34 cents, liner terms.
Dalny to Amoy	34 cents, liner terms.
Dalny to Swatow	34 cents, liner terms.
Dalny to Canton	34 cents, liner terms.
Chefoo to Swatow	29 cents, liner terms.
Chefoo to Amoy	29 cents, liner terms.
Chefoo to Canton	29 cents, liner terms.

China Coast Gazette.

Mr. J. Pringle, acting, chief
officer, Chihli, has gone super-
numery, Hsin Peking.
Mr. J. Pugh, chief officer, Hsin
Peking, has gone chief officer,
Chihli.
Mr. G. H. B. Jones, from leave,
has gone chief engineer, Szechuen.
Mr. J. B. Barker, chief engineer,
Szechuen, is on leave.
Captain H. Harder, of the
Liangchow, is deceased.
Captain H. Walker, from leave,
has gone master, Liangchow.
Captain F. Robertson, from
leave, has gone master, Kiukiang.
Mr. W. Freer, acting master,
Kiukiang, is awaiting orders.
Mr. P. Williams, from leave,
has gone chief engineer, Ngankin.
Mr. J. Johnson, acting chief
engineer, Ngankin, has gone su-
pernumery, Hsin Peking.
Mr. P. McPherson, supernu-
mery, Chihli, has gone super-
numery chief engineer, Hsin
Peking.
Mr. O. Neilson, awaiting orders,
has gone chief officer, Hsin Peking.
Mr. S. Gibson, acting chief
officer, Hsin Peking, has gone second
officer, same ship.
Mr. O. H. Green, acting second
officer, Hsin Peking, is awaiting
orders.
Mr. C. Lookerby, third engi-
neer, Irene, has gone acting
second engineer, same ship.
Mr. C. Stirling, awaiting orders,
has gone third engineer, Irene.
Mr. R. Aitken, awaiting orders,
has gone third engineer, Kutwo.
Mr. A. Patterson, third engi-
neer, Kutwo, is on leave.
Mr. E. Scott, third engineer,
Suifu, has gone acting second
engineer, same ship.

Mr. W. Crosbie, second engi-
neer, Suifu, is on leave.
Mr. R. Walton has been ap-
pointed third engineer, Suifu.
Mr. A. Werner has been reap-
pointed supernumery second
officer, Loongwo.
Mr. R. C. Thompson, supernu-
mery, Koonshing, has gone
second officer, same ship.
Mr. E. R. L. Paul, second
officer, Koonshing, has gone act-
ing chief officer, same ship.
Mr. J. McGuffog, chief officer,
Koonshing, is on leave.
Mr. R. L. Jones, from leave, has
gone chief officer, Sir R. Awdry.
Mr. H. Tindale, acting chief
officer, Sir R. Awdry, has gone
second officer, same ship.
Mr. B. S. Lawlor, acting second
officer, Sir R. Awdry, is awaiting
orders.
Mr. R. Blackie, from leave, has
gone chief engineer, Sir R. Awdry.
Mr. W. Payne, acting chief
engineer, Sir R. Awdry, has gone
second engineer, same ship.
Mr. W. Healy, acting second
engineer, Sir R. Awdry, has gone
third engineer, same ship.
Mr. G. Galea, acting third engineer,
Sir R. Awdry, has resigned.

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European Ports.

Destination.	Vessel's Name.	For Freight Apply To	To be Dispatched.
London and Antwerp	Denbighshire	J. M. & Co.	28 December
London via Usual Ports of Call	Himalaya	P. & O. Co.	21 December
London and Antwerp via Singapore, &c.	Sicilia	P. & O. Co.	25 Dec., about
Havre and Hamburg, &c.	Alesia	H. A. L.	24 December
do do do	Sambria	H. A. L.	11 January
Bremen and Hamburg, &c.	Brasilia	H. A. L.	5 January
do do do	Eurot Buelow	H. A. L.	23 January
Marseilles and Hamburg, &c.	Segovia	H. A. L.	23 December
Mexico, Peruvian and Chili via Japan	Kiyo Maru	T. K. K.	1 February
Cape Ports via Mauritius	Dunerie	Bank Line	Begin January
Copenhagen and Baltic Ports	Canton	A. N. & Co.	15 January
Trieste, Fiume, Venice via Singapore, &c.	Persia	N. W. & Co.	31 Dec., about
Naples, Genoa, Algiers, Gibraltar, Southampton	Luetzow	M. & Co.	25 December

New York, San Francisco and Canada.

Boston and New York	Egremont Castle	D & Co.	21 Dec., about
New York, via Suez Canal	Schuykill	Bank Line	30 December
New York via Ports and Suez Canal	Swazi	S. T. & Co.	9 Jan., about
San Francisco via Shanghai and Japan, &c.	Chiyo Maru	T. K. K.	21 December
do do do	Nile	P. M. Co.	31 December
do do do	Moongolia	P. M. Co.	7 January
Victoria, Vancouver, &c.	Ookley	Bank Line	End of December
Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma via Japan, &c.	Tacoma Maru	O. S. K.	26 December
Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma via Keelung, &c.	Panama Maru	O. S. K.	4 January
Victoria, B.C., and Seattle via Shanghai, &c.	Awa Maru	N. Y. K.	31 December
Vancouver via Shanghai and Japan, &c.	Empress of India	O. P. R. Co.	11 January
Vancouver	Monteagle	O. P. R. Co.	8 March

Australia.

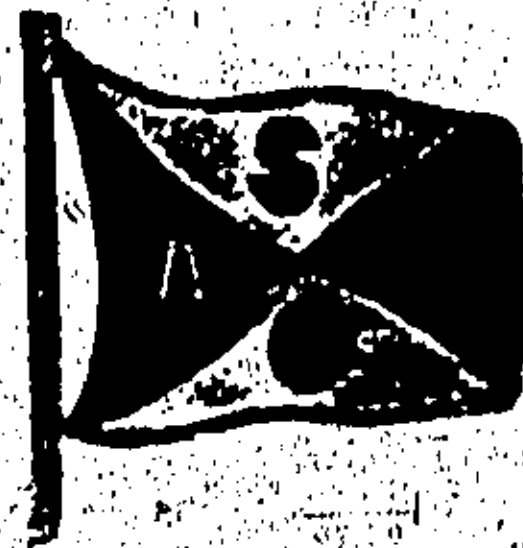
Australian Ports	Changsha	B. & S.	4 January
Australian Ports via Manila	Kumano Maru	N. Y. K.	20 December
do do do	Prinz Waldemar	M. & Co.	23 December
do do do	St. Albans	G. L. & Co.	4 January

Singapore, Coast Ports and Japan.

Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, &c.	Tjitaroom	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do do	Tjimarhi	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Thongwa	D. S. & Co.	27 December
Singapore, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta	Colombo Maru	N. Y. K.	28 December
Kudat and Sandakan	Borneo	M. & Co.	Middle of January
Bombay via Singapore and Colombo	Wakasa Maru	N. Y. K.	23 December
Japan	Tjiliwang	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
do	Tjimanook	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
Yokohama and Kobe via Shanghai	E. F. Ferdinand	S. W. & Co.	30 Dec., about
do do do	Vorwaerts	S. W. & Co.	30 Dec., about
Kobe and Moji	Arratoon Apcar	D. S. & Co.	30 December
Kobe and Yokohama	Coblentz	M. & Co.	7 Jan., about
do do do	Kaga Maru	N. Y. K.	25 January
Anping and Takao via Swatow and Amoy	Sosho Maru	O. S. K.	25 December
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	D. L. & Co.	24 December
do do do	Hoiching	D. L. & Co.	27 December
Tamsui via Swatow and Amoy	Daijin Maru	O. S. K.	22 December
Manila	Yuensang	J. M. & Co.	21 December
Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu	Zafiro	S. T. & Co.	27 December
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Dilwara	D. S. & Co.	24 December
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Hakata Maru	N. Y. K.	23 December
do do do	Carmarthenshire	J. M. & Co.	14 Jan., about
do do do	Dumbas	M. M. Co.	30 December
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Sunda	P. & O. Co.	26 Dec., about
Shanghai	Tjilatjap	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
do	Tjibodas	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
do	Tjikini	P. M. Co.	Quick despatch
do	Delta	P. & O. Co.	21 Dec., about
do	Koerber	S. W. & Co.	5 January
do	Liangchow	B. & S.	21 December
do	Waisang	J. M. & Co.	22 December
do	Loksang	J. M. & Co.	21 December
do	Koonshing	J. M. & Co.	24 December

To Sail

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Hongkong, 2nd Dec. 1912. [537]

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engers only, is due at Hongkong on the
18th instant, and will leave for Yokohama
direct the following day. She
will return here on THURSDAY,
January 2nd and sail for Singapore,
Penang, Rangoon, Calcutta, Madras,
Colombo, Bombay, Suez (for Cairo),
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A number of vacant first class berths
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Shanghai,	Hangsang
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From	Vessels
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AMERICAN MAIL.

The T. K. K. s.s. Nippon Maru,
left San Francisco for Hongkong
via usual ports on the 7th inst.
and is due here on the 31st inst.

The mails ex P.M. s.s. Nile,
have been transferred to the s.s.
Awa Maru, and not to the P. & O.
s.s. Himalaya as previously ad-
vised.

CANADIAN MAIL.

The C. P. R. s.s. Empress of
India, arrived Shanghai at 7.00
p.m. on Wednesday the 18th inst.,
and left again at 1 a.m. same day
for Hongkong where she is due
to arrive at 8 a.m. on Saturday
the 21st inst.

The C. P. R. s.s. Monteagle,
arrived at Moji at 9.00 a.m. on
Thursday the 19th inst., and left
again at 11 p.m. same day for
Kobe where she is due to arrive
at 5 p.m. on Friday the 20th inst.

FRENCH MAIL.

The s.s. Ernest Simons will not
leave Shanghai before the 25th
inst. and is expected to arrive here
on the 28th inst.

GERMAN MAIL.

The I. G. M. s.s. Prinz Ludwig,
carrying the German mails with
dates from Berlin of the 27th ult.,
left Colombo on the 15th inst.,
p.m., and may be expected here
on the 26th inst., p.m.

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. and A. str. St. Albans,
from Sydney, left Port Darwin on
the 2nd inst. for Timor, Manila
and Hongkong.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The s.s. Shimosa sailed from
New York on the 24th inst., for
Far East, via the Straits.

The str. Kansas, passed the
Suez Canal on the 3rd December,
and is due here on or about 3rd
January.

The T. K. K. s.s. Kiyo Maru,
arrived at Honolulu from
Manzanillo on the 13th inst. and
is due in Hongkong on the 18th
January.

The "Ben" Line s.s. Benla-
wers, from Antwerp and London,
left Singapore on the 12th for this
port.

The I. M. G. s.s. Coblentz, left
Sydney on the 14th inst., at 11
a.m., and may be expected here
on or about 6th January.

The Indra Line s.s. Indramayo,
from New York, is due at Hong-
kong on the 23rd inst. She passed
Canal on the 26th ult.

The H. A. L. s.s. Segovia, left
Tsingtau on the 18th inst. p.m.,
and may be expected here on or
about the 23rd inst. a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. Sunda, is ex-
pected to leave Singapore on the
22nd inst. afternoon.

The E. and A. s.s. Eastern, left
Sydney on the 18th inst. for this
port via Queensland and ports,
Port Darwin and Manila.

The M.M. s.s. Ernest Simons,
with the outward French mail,
will leave for Europe on the 28th
inst., at 7 p.m.

The M.M. s.s. Caledonien, with
the outward French mail, will
leave for Europe on the 31st inst.,
at 1 p.m.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.

Chihli, Br. s.s., 1143, McGarity,
16th Dec.—Wuhu, 10th
Dec., Rico—B. & S.
Chipsing, Br. s.s., 1199, Mooney,
13th Dec.—Canton, 12th
Dec., Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Chiyo Maru, Jap. s.s., 7250, W.
W. Greene, 16th Dec.—
San Francisco 15th Nov.
Mail and Gen.—T. K. K.
Clara Jensen, Ger. s.s., 1,103, A.
P. Uldorup, 13th Dec.—Canton
18th Dec., Coal—M. B.
K.
Daijin Maru, Jap. s.s. 899 Fuchi-
gami, 18th Dec.—Tamsui
Gen.—O. S. K.
Dagny, Nor. s.s., 882, P. Selvesen,
18th Dec.—Canton, 17th
Dec., Coal—A. T. & Co.
Erviken, Nor. s.s., 1,400, Angen-
sen, 19th Dec.—Canton
18th Dec., Coal—M. B.
K.
Haiching, Br. s.s., 1,267, W. O.
Passmore, 15th Dec.—
Swatow 14th Dec., Gen.—
J. L. & Co.
Haimun, Br. s.s., 641, J. W. Evans,
13th Dec.—Swatow, 12th
Dec., Gen.—D. L. & Co.
Hanoi, Fr. s.s., 739, G. Bonhier,
12th Dec.—Haiphong via
Pakho, 10th Dec., Gen.—
A. R. Marty.
Hoilow, Br. s.s., 987, McCulloch,
10th Dec.—Amoy 7th
Dec., Ballast—B. & S.
Hopsang, Br. s.s., 1,359, J. M.
Hay, 13th Dec.—Java
3rd Dec., Sugar—J. M.
& Co.
Hongmoh, Br. s.s., Bainbridge,
19th Dec.—Panang 10th
Dec., Gen.—Chinese.
Johanne, Ger. s.s., 951 Island, 17th
Dec.—Calcutta and Ran-
goon 4th Dec., Gen.—J.
& Co.
Kauchow, Br. s.s., 1,217, Monk-
man, 14th Dec.—Swatow
13th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.
Kobya, Br. s.s., 1,168, Ballast, 12th
Dec.—Manila 5th Dec.,
Gen.—R. Bass.
Kueichow, Br. s.s., 1,215, Cole,
13th Dec.—Canton 12th
Dec., Gen.—B. & S.
Kumsang, Br. s.s., 2,077, Wheeler,
18th Dec.—Singapore
11th Dec., Gen.—J. M.
& Co.
Laertes, Br. s.s., 1,320, Wawn, 5th
Dec.—Seigon 22nd Nov.,
Gen.—Wo Fat Sing.
Liberia, Ger. s.s., Schroeder, 14th
Dec.—Shanghai 11th
Dec., Gen.—H. A. L.
Loksang, Br. s.s., 948, Fowler,
18th Dec.—Canton 17th
Dec., Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Namsang, Br. s.s., 2,591, H. E.
Gillroy, 14th Dec.—Japan,
Coal and Gen.—J. M. &
Co.
Mausang, Br. s.s., 1,646, A. O. A.
Corneek, 15th Dec.—
Sandakan 10th Dec.,
Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Petchaburi, Br. s.s., 1,372, Gose-
wisch, 19th Dec.—Sour-
abaya 8th Dec., Sugar—
J. C. J. L.
Pheumphen, Br. s.s., 1,056, Scott,
Saigon 14th Dec., Gen.—
Wo Fat Sing.
Suisang, Br. s.s., 1,760, Payne,
16th Dec.—Java 5th Dec.,
Sugar—J. M. & Co.
Tjikini, Dutch s.s., 2,371, Le Booy,
19th Dec.—Shanghai,
Sugar—J. C. J. L.
Triumph, Ger. s.s., 869, Lang-
schwager, 15th Dec.—
Haiphong and Hoilow
14th Dec., Rice—T. & Co.
Vladimir, Rus. s.s., 3,197, Kamich-
amsky, 17th Dec.—Odessa
and Singapore 9th Dec.,
Gen.—Lukmanoff.
Yuensang, Br. s.s., 1,158, Rolfe,
17th Dec.—Manila 14th
Dec., Gen.—J. M. & Co.
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Demand — 2/4 5-32
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3 m/s 2/4 9-10
On Germany—Bank 4 1/2 m/s 238 1-2
Private 3 m/s 242 1-2
On France—Bank 4 1/2 m/s 299
Private 3 m/s 174 1-8
On India—Bank 4 1/2 m/s 175 5-8
Private 30 d/s 10 1-8
On Hongkong—Bank 4 1/2 m/s 11 3-8
Private 30 d/s 80
On Shanghai—Bank 4 1/2 m/s 140 1-2
Private 30 d/s 142 1-2
On Java—Bank 4 1/2 m/s 113 3-4
Private 30 d/s 85 54
Sovereigns—buying rate \$8 54
India Council Bills last issue ... 1/4 1-16
India Council T.T. last issue ... 1/4 3-32
Discount 3 m/s 4 3-4
Bank of England discount rates ... 5 p.c.
Bar silver in London 29.11-16
Shanghai Cotton Market Report.

Mr. A. B. Rosenfeld's current Cotton Market Report contains the following information:—

China Cotton.—Barring occasional reactions we have had a strong Bull market all the week, accompanied by quite a revival in booking new orders whenever and Cotton was offered, and at the close last night an average advance of four mace was held, with sentiment almost unanimous in favour of much higher prices. Receipts from the interior marts have greatly fallen off the last few days, the cause of which is the refusal of Farmers to accept current prices for their Seed Cotton. The principal feature of the week has been the continued strength of the Silver market, in consequence of which Japan purchases have been nominal to date. In spite of that fact however, local demand has been good and from present indications will continue to be so for some time to come if current rumours about the Chinese owned Mills being short is correct. The next item of interest from now on will be the daily market quotations of New York, Liverpool and Bombay, which will be largely awaited, as these reports are undoubtedly deserving of great attention, and have lately proved to be the best guides for our staples; which a few years back, however, had no effect on our market because our Chinese Cotton Merchants paid little or no attention in those days to the trend of the World markets. The Japanese Cotton market being regulated by the the above reports our staple has to work in sympathy with that market for the reason that Japan buys fully 75 per cent. of our yearly output. However, the fact remains that for the present there is no pressure of spot Cotton anywhere, and whenever any is offered for sale at closing quotations it seems to find ready buyers, as long as this lasts there will hardly seem room for any decline of consequence. Under these circumstances there is little to be said as the outlook for price changes in the near future. Those will depend on the actual "Supply and Demand" problem from day to day and from week to week, and from present indications our market will be governed entirely by that outlook. Tone of the market, Firm.

The Washington Agricultural Bureau Report, forecasting the production for Season 1912-13 will be issued on Thursday, 12th December, at 2.00 p.m. (New York time.)

Liverpool Market:—
London, 11th Dec. 1912.
Egyptian Cotton, F.G.F.
Brown ... 10.00
Price of Fine M.C. Bengal 613-18
Price of Mid-Americans ... 8.99
Price of Mid-Americans ... 8.99
last reported ... 8.99

Tone of market, Firm.
New York Market:—
Price of Mid-American, Closed ... \$0.12 95 Spd
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Indian Market:—
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Home Commercial and Produce Markets.

November 22.

The Bank rate remains unchanged at 5 per cent. The Open market rate for short loans is 3 3/4 per cent. and discount of four months Bank bills 4 1/2 to 4 3/4 per cent. The Silver market has been quiet, and the price of bars is now 20.1-16d. per oz. In the Rubber share market a general improvement has been shown, particularly in the leading shares. The Eastern banks give notice that the rate of interest for sterling advances on bills drawn upon Japan will be raised from 6 to 7 per cent. per annum. The directors of the Bungeo-Sino-Belgo declare a dividend of 5 per cent. The meeting has been held of the British and Chinese Corporation. In China Tea business has very quiet. Coffee has met with a quiet demand, but previous prices are maintained. Both Singapore Pepper and White Pepper have been quiet, but steady. In Sugar a quiet but steady tone has prevailed. There is still little business in Rice owing to the firmness of holders. Manila Hemp has been dull and lower. Plantation Rubber has been firmer, with more business, good average sheet being quoted at about 4s. 3d. per lb. Fine Hard Para is 4s. 5d. per lb. Straits Tin is 2226 to 2226 10s. for cash, and 2226 5s. to 2226 15s. for three months.

Notices

THE OFFICE of Chinese Maritime Customs for Kowloon and District will be closed to public business on the New Year Holidays on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd January proximo.
E. GORDON COWDER,
Commissioner of Chinese Customs,
York Buildings,
Hongkong, 18th Dec. 1912. [19]

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AND NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the joint Power of Attorney, dated the 4th day of July 1912 given by the undersigned to CHARLES ANDREW SUTHERTON, RUSSELL and JOHN RAGLAND POWELL GRANT is hereby cancelled and revoked.
PHILIP W. GOLDING.
Dated the 7th day of Dec. 1912. [190]

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TIME TABLE

WEEK DAYS.
7.00 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. every 15 min.
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10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. " 10 min.
11.00 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. " 15 min.
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1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. " 15 min.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. " 10 min.
2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. " 15 min.
5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. " 10 min.
NIGHT CARS.
8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m., 9.45 p.m. to 11.30 p.m. every 15 minutes.
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7.30 a.m.
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Hon Kong, 18th Dec. 1912. [193]

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Hongkong, 24th January 1912. [170]

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Deposits received for fixed

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application.

TAKEO TAKAMICHI,

Manager.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1912. [18]

Notices

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDI-

TIONS of the "Lotting by Public Auc-

tion Sale, to be held on Monday, 4th

day of December, 1912, at 3 p.m.

at the Office of the Public Auc-

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday:

The Attorney General moving the second reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance to provide punishment for certain persons found guilty of adultery or of harbouring Chinese married women said this Bill was one of a somewhat curious character as the latter part of the Bill only re-enacted what was already in law for some time. The first part of the Bill was a novelty and introduced a new procedure. The principal point of the Bill was that where a Chinese woman ran away from her husband and committed adultery that it shall be possible for the husband to obtain some sort of redress. The Ordinance provided that he shall be able, and he only, to bring proceedings in connection with the dishonour to which he has been subjected and it provided also penalties for the adulterer of a more severe character, and less severe character for the woman who had wronged her husband. In addition to that it was possible for the husband to obtain some compensation. It was a curious thing that under many schemes of law, mostly in Continental law, French Law, Italian Law and Turkish Law, and in fact nearly all these systems of law which owed their origin in the code Napoleon, there were arrangements by which the husband could obtain under certain circumstances indicated in this Bill, compensation and punishment also against the paramour of the guilty wife. In English law the position was somewhat different and had not been carried so far as it was under the Continental system. He proposed to move the second reading of that Bill, and he understood that it was desired that the Bill should be proceeded with through all its stages.

This proposition was carried. The other motions standing in the name of the Hon Attorney General were also passed.

Water Works.
The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$28,500 in aid of the vote Public Works, Recurrent, Water Works, Maintenance of City and Hill District.

The Chairman—This is entirely due to the extra work on account of the scarcity of water.

Hon. Sir Kai Ho Kai—Has the erection of public fountains reduced the consumption?
The Director of Public Works—It has been successful in reducing the consumption to three million gallons per day, which was the figure we estimated we would need to get down to in order to carry us through. The whole question is whether the streams will maintain the supply we are getting. For the past week we drew 15 millions of gallons from the reservoirs and we have 317 million gallons left. We had twenty-one weeks' supply instore at the beginning of the present week. The question is whether the streams will enable us to do without drawing any more from the reservoir.

BROTHERS-AT-LAW.

The case in which a Chinese is charged with defrauding his brother and nephew by forged power of Attorney was again brought before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court this afternoon. The case had not concluded when we went to press.

CHARGE WITHDRAWN.

Mr. Hoggarth, of the opium farm, applied to Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning, for permission to have a charge of being in unlawful possession of prepared opium, preferred against two well-to-do Chinese, withdrawn, as it had been found that the opium was purchased from the opium farm.

CHEUNG CHAU AFFAIR.

The three women and a man who stand charged with being concerned in the piratical attack at Cheung Chau, were again remanded by Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning, on the application of Inspector Watt who has the case in hand. The hearing is fixed for the 27th inst.

INTERESTING VIEWS.

Business Men Arrive in the Colony.

Mr. L. E. Larocque, and Mr. A. B. Whiting, of New York, are passing through Hongkong on a tour of business investigation of world conditions.

Mr. Larocque is connected with the well known New York Firm of Shipley Larocque and Choate. Mr. Choate was at one time ambassador from the United States to the Court of St. James.

When interviewed by a representative of the Hongkong "Telegraph" to-day, Mr. Larocque said that his plans so far, were rather indefinite; that he and Mr. Whiting were travelling round the world primarily for pleasure, but that they also kept their eyes open as to business conditions in the various lands that they have passed through, and intend to visit.

Mr. Larocque went on to say that he and his companion had made up their minds long ago that the possibilities of the East were well worth looking into, especially in the matter of railways and the chances of building them in China.

Mr. Larocque stated that he liked Japan very much and that, as compared to Shanghai, the signs of Japanese development, shown by the cities of Tokyo, Kobe, Moji and Nagasaki, are lessons in themselves of the indomitable perseverance and energy of the Japanese.

A month was spent by the travellers in Japan and Mr. Whiting said that it was entirely new and strange, with its perfect cleanliness and absolute discipline.

When asked his opinions of the East, Mr. Larocque stated that he could say but very little of it as he had been here so short a time, but that he thought its possibilities from what he had seen were enormous. He hinted that, if foreign energy should be permitted to put its shoulder to the wheel of Chinese affairs the wealth of the land would rapidly be developed.

In speaking of American politics Mr. Larocque said that there are many pros and cons to President-elect Wilson's theory of a modulated tariff.

"It may or may not be successful but the general opinion in the States is that it will be," our informant added.

In discussing the different characteristics of the three erstwhile Presidential candidates Mr. Larocque said that Roosevelt was a rabid Republican, Wilson a gentle Conservative Democrat, and Taft sitting on "the fence" between the two, afraid to tumble off either way, lest "all the King's horses and all the King's men, couldn't lift Humpty Dumpty back again!" "American politics," our informant continued "are always more or less in a state of chaos, but the prognostications are that the Democratic party will remove many evils from which the country has long suffered, almost in silence."

Mr. Larocque, when asked about his ideas of the Panama Canal, stated that the question of ship tolls was a very delicate one, in view of possible international difficulties, and that he preferred not to be quoted on this subject.

Mr. Whiting and Mr. Larocque leave the Colony on Christmas Day, by the s.s. Loochow. They are staying at the Hongkong Hotel.

Kowloon Dock Bill.

Invitations have been issued for the Kowloon Dock Bill on December 31.

Optium for Hongkong.
The s.s. Delta discharged about 300 chests of opium here yesterday and to-day.

Station Leave.
Station leave has been granted to Major F. J. Hunter, A.O.D., from 28th to 31st December.

Allan Wilkie Company.
The Allan Wilkie are to arrive on January 6, and will open at the Theatre Royal on January 7.

Gun Practice.
Gun practice will be carried out from Pakshawan in a N.E. to N. direction from 6.50 p.m. to midnight to-day.

"Dope" Revenue.
At the Police Court, this morning, a man was fined \$28, by Mr. Hazeland, for being in unlawful possession of opium.

POST OFFICE.

MAILS ARRIVED TO-DAY.
Singapore, s.s. Benlawers, Shanghai, s.s. Himalaya.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.
Left London Nov. 29 Dec. 14
Shanghai Nov. 30 Dec. 16

MAILS DUE.
Canada, Empress of India, 21st inst.

American, Awa-maru, 22nd inst.

American, Luetzow 24th inst.

The Awa Maru is expected to arrive here on Sunday the 22nd inst., with the American Mail ex Nile.

The Empress of India with the Canadian Mail left Shanghai on the 19th inst. at 1 a.m. and may be expected to arrive here on Saturday the 21st inst. at 8 a.m.

The Luetzow is expected to arrive here on Tuesday the 24th inst. with American Mail ex Mongolia.

SIBERIAN MAILS—only a small portion of the mail from London of the 29th and 30th Nov. here been received.

MAILS CLOSE.
Port Bayard—Chongwa, 21st Dec. 9 a.m.

Straits, Burmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Brindisi. (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon, Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail (Letters Postage 10 cents) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail). The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, the 20th Dec., at 5 p.m.—Per Himalaya, 21st Dec., 11 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan, via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States and South America via San Francisco (Europe via Siberia)—Per (Nippon-maru, 21st Dec., 1 p.m.

Philippines Islands—Per Yuen-sang, 21st Dec., 1 p.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 21st Dec., 1.15

Japan via Nagasaki—Per Benlawers, 21st Dec., 2 p.m.

Amoy and Shanghai—Per Tjikini, 21st Dec., 2 p.m.

Sandakan—Per Mausang, 21st Dec., 3 p.m.

Swatow—Per Haimun, 21st Dec., 3 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Liangchow, 21st Dec., 5 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Waishing, 21st Dec., 5 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Hongsang, 21st Dec., 5 p.m.

Japan via Moji—Per Kumsang, 21st Dec., 5 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Kingsing, 21st Dec., 5 p.m.

Japan via Yokohama—Per Upada, 21st Dec., 5 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Fochow—Per Daijin-maru, 22nd Dec., 9 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 23rd Dec., 1.15

Shanghai and North China—Per Kingsing, 23rd Dec., 2 p.m.

Sandakan—Per Mausang, 23rd Dec., 2 p.m.

Tsingtau, Weihaiwei and Chefoo—Per Hongsang, 23rd Dec., 3 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Fochow—Per Haiyang, 23rd Dec., 5 p.m.

Shanghai, North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per Koonshing, 23rd Dec., at 5 p.m.

Haiphong and Pakhoi—Per Singan, 24th Dec., 9 a.m.

Straits, India via Calcutta—Per Namsang, 24th Dec., 1 p.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 24th Dec., 1.15

Philippines Islands—Per Kuetchow, 24th Dec., 3 p.m.

Singapore, Samarang and Sourabaya—Per Ningpo, 24th Dec., 4 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Vingsang, 24th Dec., 5 p.m.

Swatow—Per Haimun, 24th Dec., 5 p.m.

Straits, Burmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Naples—Per Lutzow, 24th Dec., 6 p.m.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe—Per Dilwara, 28th Dec., 11 a.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Rangoon Maru, Jap. s.s., Kamo-shita, 19th Dec.—Singapore, 16th Dec., Gen.—N. Y. K.

Africa, Nor. s.s., 3,129, Huber, 19th Dec.—Shanghai 16th Dec., Gen.—S. W. & Co.

Taijin Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,737, Kobayachi, 19th Dec.—Karatsu 14th Dec., Coal.—M. B. K.

Polyphemus, Pr. s.s., 3,061, Dodd, 19th Dec.—Singapore 11th Dec., Gen.—R. & S.

Stentor, Pr. s.s., 6,773, Baker, 19th Dec.—Japan via Fung-hai 16th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Penlawers, Br. s.s., 2,929, Bee, 19th Dec.—London via Singapore 12th Dec., Gen.—G. L. & Co.

Egremont Castle, Br. s.s., 3,323, Smith, 19th Dec.—Shanghai 16th Dec., Gen.—D. & Co.

Seang Bee, Br. s.s., 3,784, Travis, 19th Dec.—Rangoon via Singapore 4th Dec., Gen.—S. L.

Kashing, Br. s.s., 1,134, Tewis, 19th Dec.—Shanghai 16th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Zeehuysen, Br. s.s., 1,143, Cowen, 19th Dec.—Chinkiang 15th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Tamarac, Br. s.s., Macdonald, 19th Dec.—San Francisco Bulk oil—S. O. Co.

Hanyang, Br. s.s., 1,296, J. Cogan, 19th Dec.—Tientsin 12th Dec., Gen.—R. & S.

Andree Rickmers, Ger. s.s., 2,673, Reinberg, 20th Dec.—Hamburg 10th Oct., Gen.—S. W.

Himalaya, Br. s.s., 3,700, H. G. Evans, 20th Dec.—Shanghai 17th Dec., Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Tungwah, Chi. s.s., 946, Froggatt, 20th Dec.—Canton 19th Dec., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Hongsang, Br. s.s., 1,356, Wilde, 20th Dec.—Canton 19th Dec., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Dec. 19.

Hopsang, for Hongay, Johanne, for Macao.

Wingsang, for Canton, "aitan, for Foochow.

Hein Chang, for Ningpo, Kumano-maru, for Melbourne.

Delta, for Shanghai, Africa, for Trieste.

Dec. 20.

Andree Rickmers for Yokohama, Nijid, for Saigon.

Yeehun, for Shanghai, Zeehuysen, for Canton.

Waishing, for Ballast, Loksang, for Shanghai.

Chongwa, for K. C. Wan, Himalaya, for Bombay.

Stentor, for Singapore, Egremont Castle, for New York.

DEPARTED.

Dec. 20.

Delta, for Shanghai, Kumano-maru, for New Zealand.

"aitan, for Foochow, Anhui, for Canton.

Irene, for Canton, Howta, for Singapore.

Yatshing, for Straits, Hei Chang, for Ningpo.

Yushun, for Shanghai, Africa, for Straits.

Upada, for Yokohama, Lyeemoo, for Shanghai.

Rangoon-maru, for Kobe, Polyphemus, for Nagasaki.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per s.s. Delta, sailed on 20th inst. for Shanghai:—

Lloyd Lieut. & Stokes, Mr. and Com R. W. Mrs. A. P.

Reynolds, F. O.

SHIPS PASSED THE CANAL.

London, 3rd December.

Arrivals from Chida:—Glenloch, Indrasamha, Yangtze.

The following vessels have passed the Canal:—Bendoran, Calchas, Candia, Indrawadi, Spezia, Goldenfels, Kansas.

London, 6th December.

Arrivals from China:—Brodmere, Derflinger, Miyasaki Maru, Perseus.

The following vessels have passed the Canal:—Dumbear, Jeserik, Kitano Maru, Montrose, P. E. Friedrich, Prinz Ludwig, Telemachus, Aroaddia, Indrakuala.

London, 10th December.

Arrivals from China:—C. Ford Laesiz, Calchas, Hector, Glenfarg, Magellan, Sachsen.

The following vessels have passed the Canal:—Carmarthen-hire, Kaga Maru, Koerber, Nyanza Dunedin, Titan, Euphrates.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 20th at 10.50.—The northern anticyclone has moved north-eastward. It is now central in the neighbourhood of Wladivostok.

The typhoon to the east of Luzon has curved to the north-east.

Pressure has increased slightly along the S. coast of China and over northern Annam.

Moderate to fresh monsoon is indicated along the E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

1 Hongkong & Neighbourhood. N. E. winds, moderate, fair.

2 Formosa Channel. N. E. gale

3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamocks. The same as No. 1.

4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register.

20th December, a.m.

Station. Hour. Barometer. Temperature. Humidity. Direction. Force. Weather.

Westock 7a 30.48 35.42 ne 2 b

Nemuro 6a 30.18 — wsw 1 —

Hakodate " 30.28 — wnw 3 —

Tokio " 30.30 — nnw 1 —

Kochi " 30.15 — wsw 1 —

Nagasaki " 30.13 — ne 4 —

K'shima " 30.18 — nne 1 —

Oshima " 30.06 — s 1 —

Naha " 30.05 — nne 1 —

Ishijima " 30.03 — n 3 —

Bonin Is. " — — — —

Chefoo " — — — —

W'haiwei " 30.38 40 79 e 1 b

Hankow " — — — —

Kiukiang " — — — —

Shanghai " 30.28 44 76 nne 1 o

Gutzlaff " 30.16 47 — ne 3 ov

Sharp P. 7a 30.19 57 — n 4 o

Amoy 6a 30.10 57 81 ne 3 b

Swatow 7a 30.13 57 84 n 1 b

Taihou " 5a 30.10 — e 4 —

Taichu " 30.03 — ne 2 —

Tainan " 30.02 — ne 4 —

Koshun " 30.02 — ne 10 —

P'dores " 30.04 — ne 10 —

Canton 9a — — — —

H'kong 6a 30.10 63 84 e 4 o

Va " 30.16 47 — ene 5 o

Gap Rock 6a 30.05 — ene 5 cc

Macao " 30.07 63 — e 2 of

Wuchow 9a — — — —

Hoihow " — — — —

Pakhoi " 6a 30.02 64 — e 3 c

Phulien " 29.98 70 — e 2 c

Tourane " 29.93 73 — ene 6 c

C. St. J. " 29.94 — ne 2 p

Aparri " 29.90 — ne 0 c

Legaspi " 29.87 — ne 0 b

Bacolod 9a — — — —

Iloilo " 29.91 80 — sw 1 c

Cebu " 29.91 84 — e 1 b

Labuan " 29.92 — — — —

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous Day On Date On Date

Barometer 29.95 30.04 30.04

Temperature 69 66 64

Humidity 86 88 89

Wind Direction E SW E

Force 1 1 4

Weather o b o

Rain

High open air Temperature on the 18th 71

H.K. Observatory, 19th Dec., 1912.

TIDE TABLE.

Dec. 17th to 23rd Dec., 1912.

Lowest High Water Mean Time

Dec. 17th 17m 3 40 5.8 m 10 3.8 4.2

Wed. 18m 3 31 4.9 m 10 4.5 4.9

Thurs. 19m 4 2 5.9 m 11 5.2 5.6